

ANTARCTIC TREATY

Signed at Washington December 1, 1959

Recommendations (6) adopted at the
Ninth Consultative Meeting
London September 19 to October 7, 1977

Effective date *: September 8, 1983

State	Date of Government's approval, as notified to Government of the United States of America **
Argentina	October 16, 1979
Australia	October 17, 1979
Belgium	July 18, 1978
Brazil	October 27, 1986
Chile	March 16, 1979
China	December 11, 1985
France	September 8, 1983
Germany (1)	August 4, 1983
India	March 7, 1988
Italy	April 22, 1987
Japan	January 28, 1980
Korea, Rep. of	May 10, 1995
Netherlands	October 10, 2003 ²
New Zealand	October 18, 1978

* Article IX, paragraph 4, of the Antarctic Treaty provides that recommended measures "shall become effective when approved by all the Contracting Parties whose representatives were entitled to participate in the meetings held to consider those measures."

** The date of the Government's approval is considered to be the date of that Government's notification of such approval to other Governments, unless stated otherwise therein. If the notification states that the Government had approved the Recommendations on an earlier date, that date is listed as the date of the Government's approval.

Norway	May 25, 1982
Poland	February 12, 1981
Russian Federation	June 28, 1979
South Africa	November 17, 1978
Spain	April 8, 1988
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	June 28, 1979
United States of America	November 8, 1978
Uruguay	October 10, 1989

1. Prior to unification, the German Democratic Republic approved all the recommendations of the Ninth Meeting on August 23, 1988.
2. Except Recommendation IX-3 which, in accordance with Decision 3 of ATCM XXV, has become obsolete.

Department of State,
Washington, May 9, 2012.